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Too much cannot be said in praise of Roosevelt's Rough Riders. It is true that they have only done what millions of other patriotic young Americans have done, in enlisting as private soldiers, insisting on being sent to the front, and at the first opportunity putting up an exceedingly plucky, successful fight. Yet there is something much more in the example they have given of fine young fellows, sons of rich fathers, and belonging to the most exclusive social circles, giving all that up, for the positions of privates in the ranks, where they have done their whole duty in the most exemplary way. The effect is magnificent. It is genuine Americanism, and a sort of Americanism that cannot be too highly honored. In every way one of those privates is worth a score of a youth who took advantage of some little pull that he might have to get himself a "soft' place on the staff. The more we praise the Rough Riders the higher we raise

were made of. He has shown himself ing foundations, and 38 stars in the 14,000 regular soldiers our lines have one of the ablest of Generals. Yet he Flag. enlisted in 1861, a raw country boy, the last year of the war.

the standard of genuine American man-

ONE great trouble with Spain is that the doesn't know when a thing becomes a chestnut. She played it on us in great shape for some weeks with Admiral Cervera's fleet, and then thought she could repeat the joke with Camara's. Now we simply join the world in laughing at her.

about "political Brigadiers," and in the the sea-over Cuba, with 46,000 square may be that Gen. Shafter will encounter next speak about Regular Army "Colo- miles, and 1,200,000 people; over something in the shape of a strong renels who have never seen the whole of Porto Rico, with 3,600 square miles, sistance. their regiments together." The National and 800,000 people; over Hawaii, with Guard Colonels are quite accustomed to 6,740 square miles, and 110,000 people; he will make quick work of it. The seeing the whole of their regiments to- over the Philippines, with 115,628 Spaniards have a long line to defend gether, and to handling them in camp, square miles, and 8,000,000 people. on the railroad trains and on battalion The flag now encircles half the globe, can be penetrated somewhere, comequally accustomed to the command of glory every hour of the long day, and city cut off, the castle and other defenses brigades and divisions, and many of out of every 15 people on earth, one is at the mouth of the bay soon reduced, them have handled them very creditably under the protecting aegis of Old the Navy admitted into the bay, and along by it. in tough places.

THE expert French and German artillerists who were brought into Santiago by the Montserrat seem to be as bad marksmen as their Spapish comrades. As to the French, it is not surprising. No Frenchman ever could shoot well. But the Germans have generally been good marksmen.

It is one thing to start a war, and quite another to say what direction it will take. It is safe to say that no great war ever took precisely the direction at first proposed.

Our Revolutionary War did not at enemy. In all these the advantages field. Now she has a naval hero to be stones. "No whisky goes into this camp. first contemplate independence of Great are strongly with the defending army. Britain-merely the securing of our They are perhaps more strongly with rights as British subjects.

securing the Pacific Coast when we

started into the war with Mexico. We solemnly protested that we were with comparatively little injury to him-

not going to interfere with slavery when self. the war of the rebellion began. We only intended to repossess the United States forts and other property, and reestablish the Federal Courts.

YEARS OF OLD GLORY.

The recurrence of the anniversary of our National existence is a fitting occasion to recall the amazing advance of the Star Spangled Banner over the earth's surface in the 121 years that have elapsed since it was set up as the emblem of the highest hopes of humanity for freedom, civilization, and the rights of man.

Our Flag-which, it may not be generally known, is the oldest in the world to-day-was adopted June 14, 1777. should in every case give the old as well as the new On the succeeding 4th of July it floated over a scant 3,000,000 people, occupy-Veterans, Pension, and Military matters, and letters ing a narrow strip of country along the Atlantic seaboard, from Portland, Me., to Savannah, Ga., and engaged in a very doubtful struggle for "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

Five years later-July 4, 1783-it victoriously flaunted in the breeze as the emblem of a Nation which had con-THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE, quered its independence, and extended itş territory as far west as the Mississippi River, and as far south as the French possessions in Louisiana and the Spanish "Floridas." Thirteen "sovereign States" owed it an allegiance more or less qualified in the minds of their people by their own ideas of States Rights.

The first foreign salute to the Flag was given in a French port, Feb. 14,

The Flag was first shown in a British port Feb. 3, 1783.

The Fourth of July, 1791, saw two new stars added to the Flag, by the admission of Vermont and Kentucky.

The Fourth of July, 1803, saw the whole of the vast Territory of Louisiana under the Flag, which advanced to the Gulf of Mexico on the south and to the line of the Spanish possessions on

The Fourth of July, 1822, saw "the Floridas" under the Flag, and our boundaries rounded out to the seas on

The Fourth of July, 1845, saw the imperial domain of Texas added.

The Fourth of July, 1848, saw our boundaries extended to the Pacific Ocean. The Flag then had 30 stars.

GEN. SHAFTER is an illustration of seceding States reconquered, the Govern- and ability. Although the best reports the stuff that the privates of 1861-'5 ment re-established on solid and endur- give the Spanish commander a force of the first relief, i we must see that there's

from his father's farm near Kalamazoo, immense domain of Alaska—as large until now they are within less than two the Guard. "Ins here can the State o' Maine to-day." Mich. He showed he had the stuff in as France, Germany, and Austro-Hun- miles of the main Spanish intrenchments. him, however, and was soon a Lieuten- gary put together-added to our terri- It seems marvelous that so much has annt in the 7th Mich. He was pro- tory. We then had as much territory been accomplished in less than a week moted into the 19th Mich., taken as the whole of Europe, and the census after landing, and at a cost of only 22 prisoner at Thompson's Station, and of 1870 gave us a population of 38,- killed and 80 wounded. commanded a colored regiment during 115,141, or about one-tenth that of

> The census of 1890 gave us a popu- so quickly and easily. lation on the Fourth of July of that sixth of that of all Europe.

folds are waving victoriously for the first modern times has been in the defense of CORRESPONDENTS talk in one breath time over thousands of the islands of the walled cities of the Peninsula. It

The story is a miracle of progress.

ANOTHER SPLENDID ACHIEVEMENT The landing of the American Army on the coast of Cuba is another glorious achievement, fit to rank with Dewey's victory at Manila. It shows to the world that we are masters of war,

in the highest sense. The most difficult things in the science of war are:

1. The passage of a large river:

2. The passage of a mountain defile; the State.

3. The landing upon a sea-coastdefended by a powerful and watchful

him in the landing upon a coast than There was little if any thought of in the other two instances. If the enemy is a capable adversary, he can inflict terrible losses upon the aggressor,

> At Santiago the advantages were unusually strong on the side of Spain. means "over-hanging lip." Spaniards short stretch of coast, which could be with lip.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE easily watched and defended by the forces at the disposal of Gen. Linares. Everywhere the coast is rugged in outline, and readily defensible by a small force. Had Linares been a man of ability he could easily have made such dispositions as to cost our landing party dearly, if not actually driven it off.

But he was completely outgeneraled. He was threatened along a line of 20 miles so seriously that he could not determine at which point we were really aiming, and though for a month or more he must have known that we knew that he left that point defenseless and concentrated his resistance elsewhere. In consequence, we got ashore with no other | Guard. loss of life than two men who were accidentally drowned. This is as astonish-Dewey's victory.

position for offense and defense.

There are very few instances in the history of warfare where so large a force has been landed on a foreign shore in the face of an enemy, and none in which it has been done more successfully. In 1801, the English, under Sir Ralph force near Alexandria, in Egypt, in the face of the French army. March 19, week," grumbled Doolittle. 1847, Gen. Scott, by a most brilliant diers at Vera Cruz, in the face of the Mexicans, who made little or no resist- wrist a trifle in turning a handspring. ance. In 1854, the Anglo-French army was landed at Eupatoria for the siege of fully deceived as to the landing-place.

with the exploit of Gen. Shafter and Admiral Sampson. In none of these, nally on the side of the defenders as at army and navy were handled.

THE SIEGE OF SANTIAGO.

The Fourth of July, 1865, saw the has been conducted with splendid energy been advanced, with the greatest rapidity

There can be nothing but praise for a Generalship which has secured so much

We are now at the second stage of year of 62,622,250, or more than one- the operations, and a very important but he took this composedly, and after awhile went the rounds to look over his guard-line, turning point. It may be that the The Fourth of July, 1898, sees 45 Spaniards will show more soldiership stars on our flag, and 78,000,000 people behind earthworks than they have dis- shady hollow. dwelling under it in peace and happi- played in bush-fighting. The only ness. Its beneficent, liberty-bringing creditable fighting they have done in

But the probabilities to-day are that from Castle Morro to Santiago, and it then the Army and Navy combined City of Santiago in short order.

It is estimated that fully 40 per cent. of the Ohio Division, Sons of Veterans, in a bunch of willows. are already in the field. This is a good

THE Commander of the Kansas Division, Sons of Veterans, claims that that Division is furnishing more soldiers than any other patriotic organization in

VERMONT'S sons have heretofore shone most conspicuously on the battleproud of, and to place alongside the best that any other State can show.

WE buy nearly \$1,000,000 worth of mahogany a year. Next year this will be a domestic product, produced under



"Detail for guard to-morrow," sang out the evening roll-call: "Bailey, Belcher, Doolittle, Baiquiri was the best landing place, yet | Elliott, Fracker, Gleason, Hendricks, Hummerson, Long, Mansur, Nolan, Thompson." "Corp'l Klegg, you will act as Sergeant of "Dan Elliott will act as Corporal of the

It is one of the peculiarities of men that do. The boys of Co. Q were no different from to the camp the rest. When they were in active service ing as our escape from fatalities in a more active, energetic crowd could not be The next element of greatness is that ditches, and chop trees on the way. They front teeth, and as he talked he spattered 16,000 men were thrown ashore in less none were louder than they in their con- rode on a blind, raw-bone horse, which, with than two days, and took up a superb demnation when they thought that the a dejected, broken down mule, was attached officers did not order done what should be. But when lying around camp, with absolutely nothing to do but ordinary routine, they developed into the laziest mortals that breathed. To do a turn of guard duty was a heartreaking affliction, and the Orderly-Sergeant's announcement of those who were detailed for the morrow brought forth a yell of protest from every man whose name was called. "I only come off guard day before yesterday," shouted Bailey.

Abercromby, successfully landed a large plained Belcher, who had walked 15 miles the day before, hunting "pies-an'-milk." "That blamed Orderly's got a spite at mehe'd keep me on guard every day in the

"I was on fatigue dooty only yesterday,' protested Fracker, who had to help carry the operation, landed 12,000 American sol- company rations from the Commissary's tent. "I'm goin' to the Surgeon an' git an excuse," said Gleason, who had sprained his

So it went through the whole list. "I want to see every gun spick-and-span, every blouse brushed and buttoned, and every shoe neatly blacked, when I march you up to Sebastapol, meeting with no resistance the Adjutant," said the Orderly, entirely the Confedrits didn't burn you'ns did. I've others with like result. oblivious to the howls. "If any of you don't, by the Russians, who had been success- he'll have a spell of digging up roots on the parade. I won't have such a gang of These are about the only comparisons last few days. You fellows make a note of in. that, and govern voorselves accordingly."

"Right face-Break ranks-March!" "Corp'l Klegg," said the Officer of the Day however, were the advantages so sig-nally on the side of the defenders as at finds its way into camp. Now that we are out Santiago, and we can take a just pride here by ourselves we certainly ought to be able to control this. Yet there was a disgustin'the consummate ability with which our ing number of drunken men in camp yesterday, and a lot of trouble that should not be. The Colonel has talked very strongly on this subject, and he expects us to-day to put a stop to this. I want you to make an extra effort So far the advance upon Santiago to keep whisky out. I think you can do it if you try real hard." "I'll do my best, sir," said Si, saluting.

"Shorty," Si communed with his next in rank before they started on their rounds with no whisky brung into camp this day." "You just bet your sweet life there won't be, either," returned Shorty. He felt not a

It was a hot, dull day, with little to occupy the time of those off guard. As usual,

Satan was finding "some mischief still for idle hands to do. After he put on the first relief, Si went back to the guard tent and busied himself awhile over the details of work to be found there. There were men under sentence of hard labor that he had to find employment for, digging roots, cleaning up the camp, chopping wood and making trenches. He

got the usual chin-music from those whom he set to enforced toil, about the injustice of their sentences and "the airs that some folks put on when they wear a couple of stripes,' taking Shorty with him.

Everything seemed straight and soldierly, and they sat down by a cool spring in a little

"Did you ever notice, Shorty," said Si, speculatively, as he looked over the tin cup of cool water he was sipping, "how long and straight and string-like the cat-brier grows down here in this country? You see 25 or 30 feet of it at times no thicker'n wool-twine. Now, there's a piece layin' right over there, on t' other side o' the branch, more'n a rol long, and no thicker'n a rye straw." "I see it, an' I never saw a piece o' cat-

brier move endwise before," said Shorty, fixing his eyes on the string-like green. "As sure's you're alive, it is movin'." said

Si, starting to rise. "Set still, keep quiet an' watch," ad-monished Shorty. "You'll find out more." "Si sat still and looked. The direction the brier was moving was toward the guard-line, some 100 feet away to the left. About the same distance to the right was a thicket of drill. National Guard Generals are the sun's rays reveal its beauty and munication between the castle and the alders, where Si thought he heard voices. There were indications in the weeds that the cat-brier extended to there.

The brier maintained its outward motion. Presently a clump of rag was seen carried

"They're sending out their money for whisky," whispered Shorty. "Keep quiet, will finish up Cervera's fleet and the and we'll confiscate the stuff when it comes

They saw the rag move straight toward the guard-line, and pass under the log on which the sentry walked when he paced his beat across the branch. to It finally disappeared Presently a bigger rag came out from the

willows, in response to the backward moveshowing for that portion of the brethren ment of the long ext-brier, and crawled slowly back under the log, and into camp. As it came opposite, hi jumped out, put his foot on the cat-brier, and lifted up the rag. He found, as he had expected, that it wrapped up a pint flask of whisky.

"O, come off, Si; tome off, Shorty !" appealed some of Co. Q from the alders. "Drop that. You ain't goin' to be mean, boys. You don't need to knew nothin' about that, an' why go makin' yourselves fresh, when there's no necessity? We want that awful bad, and we've paid good money for it."

twisted the bottle off, and smashed it on the the President's reply was equally hearty. I'm astonished at you. Whisky's a cuss. that never dies. Its feet lead down to hell. redness of eyes? The feller that drinks likker, and especially Tennessee rotgut."

Shorty," said one impatiently. "There's nobody in this camp that likes whisky on the part of the Government of the United States, the sentiments of sympathy to more tricks to beat the guard."

no matter what the cost. You jest shet up years, rendering his country valuable service.

particularly rasping apple-jack. There was make you sicker a she is." just an instant of wavering in Shorty's smelled its contents. He lifted it to his lips, | the events of the morning. to further confirm its character, and Si trembled, for he saw the longing in his whisky business for to-dry, at least," said Si. used ter. Folks that's never had nothin' air partner's eyes. The latter's hand shook a "The Colonel can't complain of us. I don't allers the most partickeler, an' turnin' up little as the first few drops touched his think we'll have any more trouble. Seems that noses at rayly good things. Don't fool

"You're solid, Shorty," said Si. "Yes, but it was an awful wrench. Le's Orderly-Sergeant, after he had finished the git away from the smell o' the stuff," answered Shorty. "I'm afraid it'll be too much for me vit."

and smashed the jug on a stone.

"Corporal of the Guard, Post No. 1,

"Sergeant of the Guard, Post No. 1," came down the line of sentries as the two dier, boys were sauntering back into camp. "Something's happening over there at the gate," said Si, and they quickened their

They found there a lank, long-haired, ragged Tennessean, with a tattered hat of found in the army. They would march from white wool on his head. His scanty whiskers daybreak till midnight, and build reads, dig were weather-beaten, he had lost most of his were ready and willing for any service, and everything around with tobacco-juice. He pawpaw bark to a shackly wagon.

In the latter were some strings of dried apples, a pile of cre cents of dried pump- more than once played in getting the for- scant linsey dress which draped her tall form. kins, a sack of heal, a few hands of tobacco, bidden beverage past the lynx-eyed sentry. and a jug of buttermilk,

leetle jag o' truck," the native explained, said insinuatingly. "No need o' doin' that | Shorty whispered back with great delibas he drenched the surrounding weeds with except on parade or drill. Right shoulder, eration: tobacco-juice. "My ole woman's powerful shift, or arm's-at-will is the thing when you're sick an' ailin', an' I need some money "I'm sick, and can't walk a step," com- awfully t' git her some quinine. Yarbs don't seem t' do her no sort o' good. She must have some Yankee quinine, and she's nigh dead fur some Yankee coffee. This whisper. "We'll give you some. It's all covered with knots and knobs in places war's mouty hard on po' people. Hit's jest right. We'll whack up fair." killin' 'em by inches, by takin' away their coffee an' quinine. I'm a Union man, an' allers have bin."

have you?" asked Si. "O, Lord, no; nary mite. You don't sides, whar'd I git whisky? The war's broke | whisky ran out upon the thirsty soil.

"He's entirely too talkative about the you." wickedness o' bringin' whisky into camp," whispered Shorty. "He's bin there before. He's an old hand at the business."

"Sure you've got no whisky?" said Si. tell you." And in the carnestness of his cloth, none too clean. protestations he sprayed his team, himself,

buttermilk jug, and turning over the dried with an air of resolute demand. apples, pumpkins, and tobacco. There certainly was no whisky there.

Shorty stepped forward and lifted one corner. him." His suspicions were right. It had an under 'I wuz jest bringin' that 'ere in fur you, which, when straightened out read:

Capting," said the Tenneseean, with a profound wink and an unabashed countenancs. 'Stick hit in your pocket, quick. None o' the rest 's seed you.

Shorty flung the bottle down and ordered the man off his horse. The quilt was examined. It contained a half-dozen more flasks, each holding a "half-pint of throat-scoreh and at least two fights," as Shorty expressed best pies you ever seed. Some of 'em punit. A clumsy leather contrivance lay on the kin; but the heft of 'em dried apple, with hames of the mule. Flasks were found lots o' 'lasses in fur sweetenin'. Your mother underneath this, and the man himself was never baked better pies 'n them." searched. More flasks were pulled out from

that clam-shell o' your'n an' step interfer- the tail pockets of his ragged coxe, from his stepped forward to investigate the basket,

breast, from the crown of his ragged hat.

firmness when he uncorked the jug and second relief, and then sat down to talk over lets of their enemies,

this part o' Tennessee, from the quantity camp, fur the soliers air expectin' me."

"Don't be too dinged sure o' that," said the bottom o' that basket?" said Si, pushing

morning for forage. It was well loaded, and more acceptable than the coarse rations their the less they have to do the less they want to steps in the direction of the amin entrance the guards who were marching behind had a stingy Government furnished them. She few chickens and other supplies that they had had never been so insuffed in her life, and

Boys seem to be purty fresh after their ment from the Colonel ramp," said he, with the first thought of a | Several experiences with the tongue-lashsoldier looking at marching men. "They've ings of Southern viragoes had made Si and all got their guns at carry arms. I noticed Shorty less impressed by them than they had

that as they came over the hill." by ropes, fragments of straps, withes, and straight. That gives me an idee. Le's go effect, but not strong enough to eradicate the over there an' take a look at 'em."

"Don't you find it hard work to march at "I want t' go inter the camps an' sell a rout-step with your guns at a carry?" he go in?"

profound wink and a sidelong glance at Si. in' that 'ere woman over carefully while

properly offended official dignity. "Don't she's got some knots and knobs that natur-

"You haint got any whisky in that wagon, I'm on duty. Hand me that gun this min- she's got a whole lot o' flasks o' whisky under Harper shamefacedly handed over the

up all the 'stilleries in the country. What | Si grasped the situation, and disarmed the search her. bin sufferin' for months fur a dram o' whisky, "I ought to put every one o' you in the at the immodest thought. an' as far my ole woman, she's nearly died. guardhouse for this. It's lucky that the you gone plum crazy?" That's the reason the yarbs don't do her no Officer of the Guard wasn't here. He'd have "Shorty," said Si firmly, "it's got to be

"Sartin, gentlemen; sarch my wagon, if rang out upon the hot air. Si walked over duty, as Corporal o' the Guard, to make the you don't take my word. I only wish I again to the entrance, and saw seeking ad- search." knowed whar thar waz some whisky. I'd mission a tall, bony, woman, wearing a dirty "No, sirree," insisted Shorty. "You're walk 20 miles in the rain t' git one little and limp sunbonnet, and smoking a corn- Sergeant o' the Guard, and it's your dooty flask fur my ole woman and myself. I tell cob pipe. She was mounted on a slab-sided to make all searches.' you, thar haint a drap t' be found in the hull horse, with ribs like a washboard; and carried buck River Valley. 'Stilleries all burnt, I a basket on her arm covered with a coarse younger and modester'n you are, an' haint

"Looks as if she'd bin picked before she ought to do this. Besides, you're under my and the neighboring weeds with liquid was ripe and got awfully warped in the dry- orders, as actin' Corporal. I order you to ing. All the same she's loaded with whisky," Si stepped back and carefully searched the commented Shorty as the woman descended wagon, opening the meal sack, uncorking the from her saddle, and approached the sentry

"You haint got no right to stop me, young Shorty stood leaning on his musket and an' bring pies. Your Jinerul said I could, and then I won't. I resign my position as looking at the man. He was pretty sure an' he wanted me to. His men want my Corporal right here, and'll take my gun and The Fourth of July, 1867, saw the immense domain of Alaska—as large immense domain of Alaska—as large in the greatest rapidity in the greatest rapidity in the greatest rapidity in the greatest rapidity in the fell not a little elated over his brevet rank and the responsibilities of his position as Corporal of the trade. Instead of a vittels out o' their mouths, an' makes' em said Si desperately. "If we let her in,

> "Let me see your pass," said Si, stepping pocket, in which was a flat, half-pint flask forward. The woman unhooked her linsey with a cob stopper, and filled with apple- dress, fumbled around in the recesses, and your pies? jack so new that it was as colorless as water. finally produced a soiled and crumpled paper,

"Mrs. Sophrony Bolster has permission to pass in and out of the camp of the 200th

Indiana Volunteer Infantry. "By order of Col. Quackenbush, "D. L. Blakemore, Lient. & Adj't. "What've you got in that basket?" asked

"Pies," she answered confidently.

"To my mind," muttered Shorty, as he



COUNT DE CASSINI. The New Russian Ambassador.

Count de Cassini, Russia's first representative in Washington with the rank of Ambassador, was presented to the President on the 23d inst. The scene was very impressive, the Ambassador being accompanied by his suite in full uniform. They were received in the Blue Parlor at the White House.

The address of the Ambassador was very significant in its expression of good will, and Count de Cassini said in part:

"In confiding to me the position of his first Ambassador in Washington my sovereign It's the bane of the army. It's the worm has designed to grant me the most signal honor, and one very gratifying to me; an honor in that I represent my great sovereign near the great American people-a gratification in Who hath vain babblings? Who hath that I can be the authorized and confident interpreter of the sentiment of high esteem and unalterable friendship which for so many years have united our two Governments and our two Nations without the least cloud having ever arisen to disturb relations based alike upon honor has been granted him for gallantry. "O, come off; stop that dinged preaching, a large and far-seeing political wisdom and upon an unquestionable sympathy.

"I venture to hope, Mr. President, that I will receive, as well from your Excellency as

our own flag in Cuba and the Philip- better'n you do; there's nobody that'll go which I attach the highest value, and which will permit me to acquit myself to our further to git it, an' there's nobody up to mutual satisfaction in the mission which my sovereign has designed to confer upon me." Count de Cassini is a tall, fine-looking man, with a military bearing, and is a dis- portant dispatches to the Union Com-"What I do as a private soldier, Mr. tinguished statesman. He is about 50 years old, and received a splendid education. mander within the besieged city of Knox-It is said that in Spanish Morro Blakesley," said Shorty with dignity, "haint After serving in the Foreign Office during the years in which occurred some of the most ville. With one comrade he made the nothing to do with my conduct when I'm important events of Russian history, -the latter fifties and early sixties, -he was made perilous journey, but on their return they charged with responsible dooty. It's my Consul at Berlin and sent to Germany, thence to Denmark, but in course of a short were fired upon and their horses captured. We were restricted to a comparatively generally seem to be badly overhung dooty to stop the awful practice o' likker- time he was raised to the rank of Minister Resident and stationed at Hamburg. His companion was taken prisoner, but drinkin' in this camp, an' I'm goin' to do it, From Hamburg he was transferred to the Capital of China, where he stayed for almost six Comrade Hadley delivered the reply to Gene

she's the kind of a woman I'd like to have Si and Shorty went outside the lines to the "Well," said Shorty, as he got through, bake pies for a gang o' State's prison birds clump of willows, but they were not quick "you're a regler grogshop on wheels. All that I wanted to kall off without the trouble enough to catch Groundhog, the teamster, you need is a lot o' loafers talkin' politics, a o' hangin'. Say, ma'am, are your pies and the civilian whom our readers will re- few pictures o' racin' hosses and some cus- pegged or sewed? What'd you use for as having his head shaved in the tomers buried in the village graveyard to be shortenen'-injy rubber or Aunt Jemimy's camp at Murfreesboro some weeks before, a first-class bar-room. Turn around and git plaster?" he continued, as he turned back They found, however, a jug of new and back to that ole woman o' your'n, or we'll the cloth and surveyed the well-known specimens of mountain baking, which were Si and Shorty marched around with the as harmful to Uncle Sam's boys as the bul-

"Young feller, none o' yer sass," she said "I guess we've purty well settled the severely. "Them's better pies than ye're tongue, but with the look of a hero he turned to me that there can't be no more whisky in with me no more, but let me go on inter Sure you haint got no whisky down in

Shorty. "Whisky seems to brew as naturally the pies about a little, to get a better look, in this country as the rosin to run out o' the The indignation of the woman at this inpine trees. I never saw sich a country fur sinuation was stunning. She took her pipe likker. They have more stills in Tennessee out of her mouth to better express her conthan blacksmith shops, and they work stid- tempt for men who would insult a Southern lady by such a hint-one, too, that had been a wagon which had been sent out in the over the hot oven to prepare for them food

she would bring down on them dire punishbeen earlier in their service. Still, they had "Yes," answered Shorty, after a glance, the healthy young man's awe of anything 'and they're holdin' 'em up very stiff an' that wore skirts, and the tirade produced its belief that she was a whisky-bringer. While Shorty had sniffed at a trick that he had she stormed Si kept his eyes fixed upon the

> Presently he said to Shorty: "What do you think? Shall we let her

"Si, what I know about the female form don't amount to shucks. Least of all the "H-s-sh," said the leading file, with a Tennessee female form. But I've been look-'Keep quiet, Shorty," he added in a stage she's bin jawin', an' while she's naturally where it seems to me that women generally "No, it ain't all right," said Shorty, with don't have 'em, I can't help believin' that you dare offer to bribe me, Buck Harper, when ally don't belong to her. In other words,

"Just what I've been suspicioning," said think I'd try t' take whisky into camp, do musket, still holding it carefully upright. Si. "I've heard that that's the way lots o' you? I'm not sich a bad man as that. Be- Shorty at once reversed it, and a stream of whisky is brung into camp. Shorty, as Corporal o' the Guard, it's your duty to

"What!" yelled Shorty, horror struck

done it. There he comes now. Skip out done. She's got a pass, and the right to go after the wagon, quick, before he gits on to into camp. We're both o' the opinion that she's carryin' in whisky. If she was a man "What next?" sighed Si, "Is the whole there'd be no doubt that she'd have to be world bent on bringin' whisky into this searched. I don't understand that the law camp? Haint they got none for the others?" knows any difference in persons. No matter "Sergeant of the Guard. Post No. 1," what you may think about it, it is your

seen nearly so much o' the world. You make the search."

"Si Klegg," said Shorty firmly, "I'll see you and all the Corporals and Sergeants betwixt here and Washington in the middle o' next week before I'll do it. You may buckfeller." she said. "I come in hyar every day and-gag me, and tie me up by the thumbs,

saddle the man had under him an old calico bealthy. You jest raise yer gun, an' let me she'll fill the camp full o' whisky, and she'll have to go in, unless we kin show some reasadly dimmed by the sun, rain, and dirt. make it warm fur ye. I've got a pass from son for keepin' her out. Hold on; I've got

He went up to the woman and said: "You say you want to go into camp to sell

"Yes, sir, an' I want to go in right off-no more foolin' around," she answered tartly. "How many pies've you got?" She went through a laborious counting, and finally announced: "Eight altogether."

"How much are they worth?"

"Fifty cents apiece."
"Very good," answered Si, taking some money from his pocket. "That comes to \$4. I'll take the lot and treat the boys. Here's your money. Now you've got no more business in camp, just turn around and mosey for home. You've made a good day's business, and ought to be satisfied.

The woman scowled with disappointment. But she wisely concluded that she had better be content with the compromise, remounted her horse and disappeared down the road. "That was a sneak out of a difficulty,"

Si con'essed to Shorty; "but you were as big a coward as I was." "No I wasn't," insisted Shorty, still watchful. "You'd no right to order me do something that you was afraid to do yourself.

That's no kind of officering." (To be continued.) Work of the Pension Office. The report of certificates issued for the week ending June 25 shows-Army invalid: Original, 45; increase and additional, 255; reissue, 58; restoration and renewal, 33; duplicate, 12; accrued, 110;

Army invalid (act June 27, 1890): Original, 562; increase, 208; additional, 95; reissue, 50; restoration and renewal, 63; supplementals, 3; duplicate, 26; accrued, 129; Army widow, etc.: Original, 67; reissue, 1; restoration and renewal, 1; duplicate, 2;

accrued, 2; total, 74. Army widow, etc. (act June 27, 1890) Original, 281; increase and additional, 3; reissue, 5; restoration and renewal, 3; supplementals, 4; duplicate, 6; accrued, 6; total, 308. Navy invalid: Original, and additional, 4; total, 7.

Navy invalid (act June 27, 1820): Original, 7; increase and additional, 4; restoration and renewal, 1; accrued, 5; total, 17. Navy widow, etc.: Original, 1. Navy widow, etc. (act June 27, 1890); Original, 8; reissue, 1; total, 9. Army nurses: Original, 1.

Indian Wars-Survivors: Accrued, 2. Indian Wars-Widows: Original, 2. Old War Invalid: Accrued, 1. Mexican War-Survivors: Original, 2: increase and additional, 8; duplicate, 2; accrued, 8; total, 20.

Mexican War-Widows: Original, 7, Totals: Original, 986; increase and additional, 677; reissue, 115; restoration and renewal, 101; supplementals, 7; duplicate, 49; accrued, 263. Grand total, 2,198. For the week ending June 18 the report of certificates was: Totals: Original, 1,025; increase and additional, 627; reissue, 80; restoration and

renewal, 82; supplementals, 9; duplicate, 63; accrued, 284. Grand total, 2,170. PERSONAL.

C. M. Hadley, of Litchfield, Mich., has received a letter from Gen. Alger, Secre-During the siege of Knoxville, Tenn., in November, 1863, Comrade Hadley, then Sergeant in the 9th Mich. Cav., volunteered to carry through the enemy's lines im-